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Come to THE ELIXIR OF LOVE at The Dallas Opera Oct. 9–17



[DALLAS, September 16, 2026]—The Dallas Opera's (TDO) 2026/2027 Season opens Oct. 9 with a new-to-Dallas production of an audience favorite, Donizetti's **THE ELIXIR OF LOVE,** at the Winspear Opera House.

Set in post-World War II Italy, this production is lighthearted, charming, and vibrant. "There is no warmer comedy in the operatic repertoire than *The Elixir of Love*," director Stephen Lawless says. "We went for something that was as colorful and life-enhancing as the comedy is."

Making their Dallas Opera debuts is the entire principal cast: British Iranian coloratura soprano **Soraya Mafi**, 2022 Operalia winner **Anthony León**, 2025 Operalia winner **Mihai Damian**, 2025 TDO Lone Star Vocal Competition First Place and People's Choice awards winner **Kayla Nanto**, and Italian basso buffo **Alessandro Corbelli**. Spanish conductor **Guillermo García Calvo** also debuts, leading the cast and The Dallas Opera Orchestra and Chorus in the original score and libretto by Felice Romani, which will be sung in Italian with English supertitles. The run time is approximately 2 hours and 30 minutes with one intermission. On Opening Night (Oct. 9), TDO is hosting a grand celebration with photo opportunities, a red carpet, light bites, and live music in the Winspear lobby. Get tickets here.

Production Dates:

- Friday, October 9, 2026, at 8 PM (the Linda and Mitch Hart Season Opening Performance)
- Sunday, October 11, 2026, at 2 PM
- Wednesday, October 14, 2026, at 7:30 PM
- Saturday, October 17, 2026, at 7:30 PM

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